

O-2026-10

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE 2026 REVISED ANNUAL BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000 IN RECOGNITION OF GRANTS RECEIVED FROM THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, Article XII, Section 8 of the City Charter allows the City Council to make supplemental appropriations by ordinance during the fiscal year for unanticipated expenditures required for the operation of the City of Lakewood (the "City") using monies not anticipated in the adopted budget that are available to the City;

WHEREAS, Section 3.04.060 of the Lakewood Municipal Code (L.M.C.) requires approval by the City Council for any unbudgeted purchase;

WHEREAS, the two grants referenced below would constitute unbudgeted purchases that must be approved by City Council;

WHEREAS, the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) awarded the City a grant in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) (the "Local Planning Capacity Grant");

WHEREAS, the Local Planning Capacity Grant shall be utilized to complete an Affordable Housing Nexus Study ("Study") with the remainder of the Study to be paid for by the Sustainability and Community Development Department;

WHEREAS, DOLA also awarded the City a grant in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) (the "Homeless Resolution Program Grant");

WHEREAS, the Homeless Resolution Program Grant shall be used to support individuals experiencing homelessness move toward permanent housing by providing, among other things, street outreach and homeless prevention services;

WHEREAS, the City shall use both Grants referenced above to support its ongoing goals and efforts toward achieving housing solutions;

WHEREAS, no additional funds are being requested for the aforementioned grants or programming;

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds and determines that approving these supplemental appropriations requests are and shall be in the best interest of the residents of the City;

WHEREAS, approval of this Ordinance on first reading is intended only to confirm that the City Council desires to comply with the Lakewood Municipal Code by setting a public hearing to provide City staff and the public an opportunity to present evidence and testimony regarding the proposal; and

WHEREAS, approval of this Ordinance on first reading does not constitute a representation that the City Council, or any member of the City Council, supports, approves, rejects or denies any particular proposal related to this proposal identified herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Lakewood, State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby appropriates and authorizes the expenditure of:

- A. Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) provided by DOLA to complete an Affordable Housing Nexus Study; and
- B. One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) provided by DOLA for street outreach and homeless prevention services.

SECTION 2. The aforementioned grant awards will serve a public purpose and further the City's ongoing goals and efforts toward achieving housing solutions for residents.

SECTION 3. The City Council hereby authorizes the Manager of Housing and Thriving Communities or designee to execute all documents necessary to finalize the grant awards, to include entering into intergovernmental agreements.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after final publication.

SECTION 5. If any provision of this Ordinance should be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining portions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid portion, provided such remaining portions or application of the Ordinance are not determined by the court to be inoperable.

I hereby attest and certify that within and foregoing Ordinance was introduced and read on first reading at a hybrid regular meeting of the Lakewood City Council on the 9th day of March, 2026; published by title in the Denver Post and in full on the City of Lakewood's website, www.lakewood.org, on the 12th day of March, 2026X; set for public hearing to be held on the 23rd day of March, 2026; read, finally passed and adopted by the City Council on the 23rd day of March, 2026; and signed by the Mayor on the ___ day of March, 2026.

Wendi Strom, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jay Robb, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Alison McKenney Brown, City Attorney